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MICRO STATION: SOUTHFIELD & TROY

After more than 2 years of serving Southeastern Michigan from our Southfield store, Micro Station, Michigan's oldest and largest software specialists, is proud to announce that our second retail store is now open in Troy.

Located at 5100 Rochester Road, just North of Long Lake, in the King's Row shopping center, we look forward to serving old and new customers with the same friendly, helpful attitude and a large selection of the best software, supplies, accessories, books, and add-on hardware available.

COLOR MONITORS

The Taxan 210 monitor is the perfect color monitor for all. An excellent composite monitor, it also has RGB. The Apple can use its RGB features with an RGB card. JG

PRICE AND AVAILABILITY

It is Micro Station's policy to offer prices that give you savings and value. We do not call ourselves a "discount" store because we offer expertise, selection and service, as well as good prices.

We are always happy to take deposits on advance and special orders for any products you desire.

A word of caution on new products that you see advertised. Many ads appear before the product is finished, debugged, and released for sale. Even when our suppliers tell us a product is due "soon", it can mean anything from next week to next year.

THE ANNUAL GIFT CERTIFICATE SPECIAL

Once again, Micro Station is happy to offer our holiday Gift Certificate special. The specials in this newsletter expire on 12-31-84, but for anyone paying with Gift Certificates purchased by 12-31-84, the specials will be honored until 1-31-85. Of course, Micro Station honors the Gift Certificates at any time--only the specials expire in January.

A Micro Station Gift Certificate is the perfect gift. Buying anything for someone else's computer is difficult at best, but a Micro Station Gift Certificate lets your special someone choose exactly what they want from the largest selection of software, books, magazines, supplies, accessories, and add-on hardware. And your gift grows because we guarantee that they get our best prices for a whole month. ML

DISNEY ON PARADE

Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, Winnie the Pooh, and Goofy have finally come to the screen for the Apple and Commodore. Sierra offers these Walt Disney adventure programs for children. These games allow a child to build map and logic skills while increasing reading comprehension without the semantic frustration of other adventure games. The age range on these programs are from 7 to 12 years of age.

The newest title in this series is Snoopy's Reading Machine. Sierra also has a Buy 2 get one Free. See the details in this newsletter under "Manufacturer's Special Offers." JG

HOLIDAY SPECIALS

Micro Station is pleased to offer these Holiday Specials on the most popular products to help you stretch your gift-giving dollars.

These specials, listed inside the back cover, are good through DECEMBER 31 so that all your friends just getting computers this holiday season will be able to take advantage of them, too!

Gifts for computer owners are very hard to choose, so we have made the Micro Station Gift Certificate an even better choice -- all Gift Certificates purchased in December can be used at these sale prices until JANUARY 31, 1985!!!

Of course, Gift Certificates can be used any time at Micro Station--only the specials expire in January. ML

MORE MAC SOFTWARE

Cyborg is definitely unique--what else would you expect from Broderbund. You control your Cyborg "body functions" while you are solving an adventure.

Lode Runner and Frogger, two popular games from the Apple II family, have come to the MAC. Both are heavy action and the graphics are superb. In addition, Transylvania and The Quest, two great graphic adventure games from Penguin (The Graphics People) are also available. MH

DATA FACTORY 6.0

Data Factory 6.0 for the Apple, Micro Lab's new and revised data base, is now two products in one. The Home Filer is an almost instant simplified data base which allows you to be up and running in minutes. Data Factory is also very easy to use but it has additional features which allows for multiple sorts, searches, and use of math functions. Much faster than the older version, this is introductory priced at \$199.95. JG

PRINT SHOP REVISITED

Broderbund has done it again! They have just released a new disk of pictures, GRAPHICS LIBRARY, DISK 1 as a companion to THE PRINT SHOP. This disk offers 120 all new graphics to use when making cards, banners, letter-head stationery, and signs. Yes, you must have THE PRINT SHOP in order to take advantage of these all new sports, holiday, animal, school, zodiac, and other graphics.

The Apple version of this card/sign/banner designing/printing program is still selling like hotcakes and we are STILL waiting for the Commodore 64 version to come out. Refills of colored paper and matching envelopes now include more paper at a slightly higher price. SM

CHOOSING MAILING LABELS

The most common size for mailing labels is 3 1/2" wide by 15/16" high (1" including a 1/16" gap between labels). With standard print of 10 characters per inch wide and 6 lines per inch, this gives you a tight 6 lines of 35 characters or, a more comfortable, 5 lines of 30-32 characters. Because this is the most common size, it is available at better prices than other sizes.

We also have labels that are 1 7/16" (1 1/2" including the gap) for 8-9 lines. Both heights are also available in 4" widths allowing for 38-40 characters. Special sizes may also be special ordered.

Problems you should know about: C-Itoh, NEC 8023 (made by C-Itoh), and the original Apple Dot Matrix (from NEC, but made by C-Itoh) have tractors that can't get quite close enough for the 3 1/2" labels, so you are forced to use the more expensive 4" labels. The Epson FX-80 uses a pin feed on the ends of the friction roller to give it the smooth flat top design and a tractor is available as an option. ML

SCIENCE FICTION ADVENTURE

HITCH HIKERS GUIDE TO THE GALAXY is Infocom's latest adventure to be available. This program is an excellent way to get started in adventures and is based on the series of the same name. Like all of the Infocom products, this program will give you many hours of enjoyment while you solve it. JG

RENDEVOUS WITH RAMA by Arthur C. Clark, Amazon by Michael Crichton, FAHRENHEIT 451 by Ray Bradbury, and SHADOW KEEP by Alan Dean Foster, have all become adventure games on the Trillium label, new Science Fiction software from by Spinnaker. ML

DISK DRIVE HEAD CLEANING

The Verbatim Head Cleaning Kit can be purchased separately or as part of a Holiday pack with 10 diskettes. But, WHY do I need it, you ask? Even dust is larger than the recording surface of a single bit of data. Dirt builds up on the read-write head.

The kit consists of a disk jacket made out of an inert material that will not be dissolved by the cleaning fluid. The kit has two premoistened inserts, individually sealed in foil. To clean your disk drives, open a packet, insert the cleaning diskette into the jacket, insert the jacket in your drive, and start-up your drive (try to load or catalog).

As to how often you should clean your drive...it's a judgment call. Verbatim recommends daily, or at least weekly. We suggest every 1-3 months in an office and 2-6 months in a home. Where there is a lot of dust or smoking, do it more often. If you have an electronic air cleaner, do it less often.

A good rule of thumb is to clean your drives whenever you start getting I/O errors--this is the simplest and least expensive maintenance possible for a disk drive. ML

MANUFACTURER'S SPECIAL OFFERS

Coupons are available at the cash register when you purchase any of the following products:

HAYES is offering a \$25 rebate, membership in The Source, and a free subscription to either Creative Computing or A+ with purchase of either the Micromodem IIe or the Smartmodem 300. This offer expires 12-31-84.

SIERRA ON-LINE has a Buy 2, Get 1 Free promotion. This offer is a little sweeter because there is no postage or handling fees to pay. This offer expires 6-30-85.

KOALA will send you \$20 rebates on Atari and Commodore Koala Pads purchased between October 1 and December 31, 1984.

SPINNAKER is offering a free program with 4 to 5 proofs of purchase and \$3.50 handling. So that a single huge purchase isn't necessary, the offer runs until December 31, 1985.

CBS SOFTWARE is having a drawing for \$10,000 or a years college tuition, up to \$10,000, to the college of your choice. Entry blanks, available at the cash register, must be received by CBS Software by January 31, 1985.

ELECTRONIC ARTS has a buy 2, get 1 free, offer effective September 1 thru January 15, 1985. Send proof of purchase for any 2 programs (Get Organized not included), the coupon available at the cash register, and \$3 for insured delivery and handling.

DISKS FOR THE IBM PC AT

Double Sided High Density diskettes from Fuji are now in stock. These diskettes are produced for use with the IBM PC AT to record 1.2 megabytes per diskette. With the quality of Fuji recording products, what more can you ask! JG

NEW DEADLINES FOR UPGRADE KITS

The upgrade offer from Lotus 1-2-3 to Symphony expires 12-31-84. The upgrade offer from dBase II to dBase III has been extended to 1-31-85. Both of these kits are mailers in which you send back manuals and disks and receive the complete new product package in return. Most of our customers have experienced 2 day turnaround. JG

MIND PROBER

Mind Prober is a unique and fun program that will be the hit of any party. It allows one to analyze himself simply by answering a few questions. The analysis can be viewed either on the screen or on printer. If you don't like the results - change your responses to questions - instantly you become a new person. JG

PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGER

The Personal Financial Manager, by Lumen, is the newest and most powerful of the home management programs out for the IBM. It can be used on the hard disk or floppies and is limited only by disk space both in transactions and accounts. The reporting features are also very versatile giving you all the reports you want. This program is also available in a professional format (Professional Financial Manager) for those who need even more reporting and transactional features. JG

GET ORGANIZED!

Get Organized! has been reviewed as "one of the standouts" by Personal Computing. Built around word processing, it is addressed to those who primarily use words instead of numbers. Features include communications, address book, index card file, calendar, calculator, and notepad. ML

LEARNING TO TYPE

MasterType, long the best of the typing programs, has been revised and now includes screens which show you where your fingers go as you type. All of the other quality features have been retained.

Typing Tutor III by Simon & Schuster is the newest of the programs which help you learn to type. While there is a game element, if you wish to play it, the main part of this program is straight forward and very good.

Both of these programs are available for Apple, IBM, C64, and MAC. JG

DINOSAURS

T. REX is a simulation of the life cycle of a Tyrannosaurus Rex. You must go after your prey. Some may be too fast, or you may get tired and not be able to catch your victim. You can change many of the conditions that affect T.Rex. What happens if you give him more speed or change his body temperature? These and other factors can be changed. Both fun and educational.

DINOSAUR DIG is an excellent guide to the many different dinosaurs. The program has a keyboard overlay so that the individual can find out about specific dinosaurs. JG

TRIVIAL PURSUIT

Party Quiz by Suncom offers a new way to play trivia. Each player (up to four) has their own paddle (included) so that it becomes more interactive and more competitive. The challenge is not only to know the answer but also to beat your opponent to the answer by pressing your paddle first. This means that you don't have one person on the keyboard and others sitting around telling him what to press. Each player is on his own. Time limit for each question can be increased or decreased. JG

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HOLIDAY SPECIALS THROUGH 12-31-84

Business

	List	Sale
Data Factory	199.00	149.96
dBase III	695.00	521.96
dBase Upgrade Kit	200.00	149.96
Flash Calc	99.95	74.96
Framework	695.00	521.96
Infopost	195.00	146.96
Lotus 1-2-3	495.00	371.96
Lotus Upgrade Kit	200.00	149.96
MagiCalc	149.95	112.96
Microsoft MultiTools	150.00	112.96
Symphony	695.00	521.96
Versaform Templates	39.95	29.96

Home & Hobby (& Business too!)

C-64 Basic Programs	19.95	14.96
C-64 Trivia Data Base	19.95	14.96
Instant Recall	29.95	22.96
Micro Cook Book	40.00	29.96
Money Tools	29.95	22.96
Music Games	19.95	14.96
Personal Financial Manager	200.00	149.96
Planner	200.00	149.96
Print Shop Graphics Library #1	24.95	20.96
Winning On Wall Street Traders Manager	200.00	149.96

Utilities & Productivity Tools

Basic Tricks for Apple	24.95	16.96
Desk Organizer	295.00	221.96
Get Organized	199.95	149.96
MetaWindows	150.00	112.96
The Source	49.95	37.46

Education (Fun & Learn)

Barrons SAT	89.95	67.96
Charlie Brown's ABC's	39.95	29.96
Dinosaur Dig	49.95	37.96
Donald Duck's Playground	39.95	29.96
88 Apple Logo Programs	29.95	22.96
Game Show	39.95	29.96
Harcourt's ACT	89.95	67.96
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Master Type	39.95	29.95
Peanuts Marathon	39.95	29.96
Peanuts Picture Puzzler	39.95	29.96
Responsible Driving	79.95	59.96
Snoopy's Reading Machine	39.95	29.96
Snoopy's Skywriter	39.95	29.96
Success with Math	24.95	18.96

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Webster: The Word Game	29.95	22.96

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Ankh	29.95	22.96
Aztec	39.95	29.96
Baltic 1985	34.95	26.96
Baron	49.95	37.96
Boulder Dash ** APPLE **	40.00	16.96
Caves of Olympus	19.95	14.96
Dino Eggs	35.00	26.96
Earthly Delights	29.95	22.96
Enchanter	39.95	29.96
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Mickey Mouse's Space Adventure	39.95	29.96
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Party Quiz	74.95	56.96
Pinball Construction	40.00	29.96
Snoopy to the Rescue	39.95	29.96
Transylvania	34.95	26.96
Trivia Fever	39.95	29.96
Tycoon	49.95	37.96
Voyage of Valkyrie	19.95	14.96
Winnie the Pooh	39.95	29.96

Books

Advanced Programmers Guide dBase III & dBase II	28.95	21.96
Best of Antic	12.95	9.96
Book of Adventure Games	19.95	15.96

and more...

Bevis Chairs G101 Plus	149.95	129.96
Super Deluxe	199.95	174.96
Epson FX-80 Printer	689.00	479.00
Game Control Adapter for IBM	55.00	46.96
Media Mate Storage	19.95	14.96
O'Sullivan Furniture Desk #742	169.95	149.96
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SGL Waber Wall Plug w/surge	19.95	14.96
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Power Strip w/surge	49.95	39.96
SKC DSDD Diskettes	39.95	24.96
Smartmodem 300	289.00	224.96

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